

## San Diego City Attorney MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE

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## CITY ATTORNEY MICHAEL AGUIRRE VOTED ONE OF TOP SAN DIEGO ATTORNEYS 2006

Assistant City Attorney Eugene Gordon also recognized

**San Diego, CA:** San Diego City Attorney Michael Aguirre and Assistant City Attorney Eugene Gordon have been included in the Top Attorneys 2006 poll conducted by the *San Diego Daily Transcript*. More than 6,000 local attorneys were polled, resulting in 600 nominations for 11 pre-selected categories. Aguirre and Gordon were cited as outstanding along with seven other finalists representing the category of Municipal and Government attorneys. A recognition ceremony is planned for August 9, 2006 in the Gaslamp Quarter.

"This is a tremendous honor for Gene and I," said City Attorney Aguirre, "and I am equally pleased that our peers are appreciative of the scope of work that we have done and are stilling doing."

Gordon is the head of the City Attorney's Trial Unit in the Civil Division and has been a civil litigator for more than 25 years.

Sworn in as San Diego City Attorney on Dec. 6, 2004, Aguirre's legal career spans three decades as a federal prosecutor, fraud victim trial attorney, municipal law expert, and U.S. Senate investigator.

Aguirre has pursued significant cases since taking office in order to restore the City's financial health. As a private lawyer, he has worked on redistricting cases, private securities fraud cases against major corporations, law firms and accounting firms, where he has recovered more than a quarter-billion dollars for victims of pension and stock fraud.

In 2005, the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* named City Attorney Aguirre as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in California.

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